Wupatki Wash System (24)

Location. This type includes several plant associations, all occurring in defined drainages throughout the project area. Dominant species include Apache plume, sand sagebrush, fourwing saltbush and alkali sacaton. The latter two types are illustrated below:





Photosignature. The dendritic shape of the drainages is diagnostic. Drainage floors may appear black, orange-black, orange, greenish black, or light gray, depending on the bedrock within the drainage. Apache plume and strechberry (Forestiera pubescens var. pubescens) shrubs appear as irregular red specks; other shrubs appear as gray specks. Streaking due to flow of water within the drainages may be apparent.

